

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Governor Chris Christie has issued a Proclamation recognizing March 2014 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month, and;

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Racing Commission is cognizant of the need for education, treatment and prevention of Compulsive Gambling, and;

WHEREAS, Compulsive Gambling has recently been identified as a behavioral addiction by Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, and;

WHEREAS, Gambling opportunities in this State have recently been expanded to include on-line casino gambling, and;

WHEREAS, The Racing Industry fully supports gambling addiction awareness efforts through posting of educational materials at their facilities and in their racing programs and reference to 1-800-gambler contact on their web sites, and;

WHEREAS, The Racing Industry has given financial support to Gambling Addiction Programs having donated over \$2.2 million to date, and;

WHEREAS, The Commission and Gaming Enforcement have agreed to cross accept each agency's applications, including the recent addition of online gambling, for inclusion on a self exclusion list thus expanding locations for the convenience of the applicant, and;

WHEREAS, The Racing Commission will continue to work with the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey to provide assistance in combating this addiction including participation in a focus group of gaming regulators to identify priorities and programs, and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the New Jersey Racing Commission, on behalf of all its members past and present and the citizens which it serves, recognize the need for education, prevention, and treatment of Compulsive Gambling Addiction and pledge to continue its support of programs dedicated to these efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of the New Jersey Racing Commission.

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